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RE: WT Docket 02-55, *Ex Parte* Communication

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1204(a)(10) of the Commission's rules, this is to inform the Commission that, in response to an inquiry from Cathy Seidel, Deputy Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, the undersigned informed Ms. Seidel by telephone yesterday that APCO and its allied public safety organizations believe that 18 months would not be sufficient time for the 800 MHz re-tuning to be completed for both 806-809 MHz and NPSPAC channels within any particular region.

Please contact the undersigned should the Commission require any additional information regarding this manner.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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cc: Cathy Seidel